

STATEMENT OF PURPOSE

RS22931

This legislation closes a loophole in the states funding formula for public schools, which if not closed, could allow for the double-funding of some students. This situation would be created under the current formula if a very small school district with less than 100 secondary students established an alternative secondary school. Since the school district is already fully-funded for 1-100 students through the secondary minimum of 8 support units, any students transferring from regular secondary to alternative secondary would be counted and funded a second time on the alternative secondary table. This legislation would only fund an alternative secondary school in such a small district if it was a regional program serving multiple small school districts on the secondary support unit minimum.

FISCAL NOTE

No fiscal impact, based on current secondary alternative schools. However, this legislation could prevent millions of dollars in double-funding of students in the future.

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